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## DEATH.

At Hankow, on the 28th March, COLIN ALFRED,  
son of Alfred and Helene Brown, aged eighteen  
months.

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VUEX ROAD CL.  
LONDON OFFICE: 181, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 10th April, 1901

Russia's abandonment of the Manchurian Convention, as conveyed in her identical note to the Powers on the 3rd instant, has the effect of relieving the acuteness of the crisis. Russia has not insisted on showing her friendliness to China by extorting her signature to a most one-sided agreement, disastrous to China and unjust to the other Powers. But, although the objectionable Convention is given up, the situation remains anything but clear. Russia announces her intention of quietly awaiting the course of events, while adhering to her oft-repeated programme. It would be satisfactory to know what is this "programme," for it is probable that the interpretations put upon it by St. Petersburg and London may vary very considerably. It seems, however, that Russia means to declare her intention of remaining in military occupation of Manchuria until peace is secured. Up to a certain point Russia's claim is reasonable. There is no ground for doubting the St. Petersburg accounts of hard fighting in the neighbourhood of Simunimung, for there seems to be considerable unrest alike in Manchuria and Chihli. The Allies do not contemplate the immediate evacuation of Chihli, and Russia cannot be expected to fix a date for her retirement from Manchuria. What is wanted, and what may reasonably be asked of Russia, is that some understandings should be arrived at in the matter. The alleged contention of the St. Petersburg authorities that Russia's arrangements with China are not the concern of any other nation is one which cannot be granted. Had Japan, for instance, put forward such a plea at the conclusion of the China-Japan War, the European Powers would have scouted the idea. The principle of compensation to other Powers for special privileges granted to one is a long established principle in China, and by its observance alone have many serious international complications been averted. Owing to the peculiar position of China with regard to the rest of the world such a principle is inevitable for the maintenance of peace. Had her officials in

the past been all men of even moderate integrity and patriotism, China's dealings with the foreign nations need not have been watched with such jealous eyes. But when her statesman have on several occasions notoriously shown themselves willing to sell their country's interests to the highest bidder or the most threatening aggressor, it is clear that all the Powers were obliged to look with the utmost care after their own rights. It is by neglecting to do so that British prestige in China has decreased to such a remarkable extent. At the present time it almost appears that the home Government has awakened to the gravity of the situation, and that we may hope for an abandonment of the policy, which had reached its climax under Lord Salisbury's administration, of amiable concession to the aggressions of other nations, outstaring as far as they could British traders from the Far East. This hope is encouraged by the interpretation recently put on the Anglo-German Agreement by the British Government. Whoever it is that is primarily responsible for China's rejection of the Manchurian Convention, the result attained is favourable to British interests, provided that some definite understanding be now arrived at as to the future of Manchuria. The question of the evacuation of China should be treated as a whole. Russia's interest in the Manchurian Railway will be in no wise affected thereby, but the general affairs of this important province cannot be dealt with as a purely Russo-Chinese question. An important point has been gained by the abandonment of the Manchurian Convention. If, however, it is only to be followed by an indefinite occupation of Manchuria, the immediate gain will ultimately be converted into a loss. The Allies are preparing to contemplate the removal of troops from Chihli, although brigandage is still rife—our Tientsin correspondent's letter bears witness to this—and in the same way to the departure of the Russian troops from Manchuria must be faced. The right of guarding the railway line with a sufficient force there is no necessity to disturb. Otherwise there is no reason for separating the Manchurian question from that of North China. If British and other diplomats have intended anything by their protests to China about the Convention, they are bound in common sense to go on and to secure a clear understanding on the subject of Manchuria.

In the midst of the heavy downpour of rain with which the Colony has been favoured during the past three days the Water Authority appears to have been struck with the idea of playing a practical joke on the residents. In Saturday's *Gazette* there appeared, over Mr. CHATHAM's signature, a notice to the effect that, in the absence of further rainfall, on and after Monday, the 8th instant, the supply of water would be turned on in the public mains only during certain hours in various districts. The threatened householders saw with relief a most abundant fall of rain on Sunday, and Bank Holiday brought a repetition of the same weather. On the latter day, to the consternation of those who were consoling themselves for enforced confinement at home with the idea that at least the water-supply had been replenished, the water was cut off at the public mains in various districts, starting, we believe, at the Peak. Apparently therefore our Water Authority is not satisfied with the rain which has fallen in the last three days. In that case it must be said that his notice in the *Gazette* was misleading. There certainly has not been any "absence of further rainfall." The exact statistics of the fall are not yet made out, but the leanness of some of the showers and the long continuance of the less violent rain preclude the idea of its having been small; moreover, an inspection of the reservoir shows this not to be so. The explanation of the Water Authority's action is difficult to imagine, unless he is laying up a stock of water for a coming dry day.

Among the arrivals yesterday by the P. & O. intermediate steamer *Chelebra* was Lieut. A. Blake, son of the Governor, who will set as A.D.C. to His Excellency.

The return of cases of communicable disease during last week shows 17 plague cases (16 in Victoria), with 15 deaths; and 9 small-pox cases (8 Chinese, one Filipino, all in Victoria), with 4 deaths.

The Penang Cricket Club has a new (to Penang) bye-law to the effect if a tamby fields for any player, and makes a catch he will be credited with 50 cents, and the player debited with a similar amount.

The return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum last week shows that the former institution was visited by 392 non-Chinese and 94 Chinese, the latter by 149 non-Chinese, and 1,823 Chinese.

According to the official returns, during the 24 hours (probably the 60 hours, the last return being up to noon of the 6th inst.) ending at noon yesterday there were reported six fresh cases of plague (five Chinese, one other Asiatic) and five deaths (Chinese); and one fresh case of small-pox and two deaths (Chinese).

The new Commissioner of Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs at Kowloon is Mr. R. B. Moorhead.

We have received a letter on the subject of the cutting off of the water-supply on Monday, a question with which we deal elsewhere.

H.M.S. *Aurora* left yesterday for Singapore to take part in the reception of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York. The hospital ship *Cortage* left for Calcutta.

The P. & O. steamer *Coromandel* left Singapore for this port on the 8th inst., at 8 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on Saturday, the 13th inst., at about 10 a.m.

The death penalty will not be carried out in the case of the widow Wong Po, who was convicted of the murder of an ex-messenger of the Supreme Court, at 143, Queen's Road East, and sentenced to death on the 25th ult. The reason, we understand, is the condemned woman's condition.

The Shanghai native journal *Hu Pao* says that in Shanghai, notwithstanding the famine, the people remain quiet, thanks to Governor Tsen and the beneficence of the Court, which hearing on arrival accounts of the distress granted the people 50,000 piculs of rice and 50,000 taels money-relief. Governor Tsen emptied his private purse to relieve distress.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherdale Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:

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Woonwall & Co.	...	5
A Patient	...	2

Mr. G. J. W. King offered for sale yesterday afternoon, at the Office of the Public Works Department, two lots of Crown land, the first, Inland lot 1633, situated at Bowen Road, and having an area of 25,000 square feet, with an annual rent of \$172. The upset price was \$6,250, and the sum realised was \$6,270. Mr. Shelton Hooper, of the Land Investment Company, was the purchaser of the lot, which is to be used for the erection of European houses. Rural building lot 196 was bought by Mr. Alexander Mackenzie for \$2,000, and will be similarly built upon.

On Monday evening information was received at the Central Police Station that a murder had been committed at the mess in Kennedy Road of the senior and junior clerks employed by the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha Steamship Company. Detectives sent to investigate the affair found at the mess the dead body of a Chinese servant-boy, and a Chinese watchman under arrest on suspicion of having caused his death. The body, which bore no outward marks of violence, was removed to the mortuary, and the accused man taken to the police station pending enquiries. Dr. Thomson held a post-mortem examination of the body, and found that death was due to failure of the heart, caused by violent excitement. It now transpires that the boy and the watchman were quarrelling, when the former suddenly dropped to the ground and expired. The watchman is still under arrest, but will doubtless be immediately released.

Captain James Fowler, of the trading steamer *Phra Chon Kiao*, died on Sunday morning at half-past ten in the Government Civil Hospital from apoplexy. Whilst at Bangkok lately the deceased had an apoplectic seizure, and was carried from the bridge unconscious, in which state he remained between four and five hours. On coming to Hongkong he made arrangements with his agents to take a long holiday for the benefit of his health, and temporarily resigned the command of his ship. On Saturday night, at about ten o'clock, soon after returning on board from a visit ashore, he had a second stroke of apoplexy. Dr. Gibson was promptly intimated and ordered his removal to the Government Civil Hospital, where he died without regaining consciousness. Captain Fowler, who was unmarried and aged about 45 years, had been altogether seventeen years in China, and was at one time connected with the British Oriental and the Scottish Oriental Steamship Companies. He was commodore skipper with the latter line. The deceased was well-known and greatly respected in Hongkong and elsewhere. He was a native of Australia.

It is stated that the notorious Yu Hsien, before he was put to death at Lanchow, composed words for two funeral songs. The first read as follows:—"For the minister's sin the minister dies, but the minister's wish it changeth not in life or death. My heart is clear. I am no traitorous Chin Hui. My Sovereign's grace I will repay, my Sovereign's grief will I assuage? My Lord and Mistress too may you all combine to save." The second purports to be as follows:—"The Minister dies for his country, the wife and concubine for the Minister's sake as is fitting, but most pitiful is the case of my ninety-years-old mother and my daughter of seven, who will hardly survive. I slew men, the Emperor slew me, why should I repine? But what I do regret is that by the Emperor's grace I served him twenty years in three different provinces and yet have done so little to repay him." Duke San is also said to have composed these words for a scroll before he committed suicide. My Lord is grieved, his Minister dies; but his death is not to be deplored, if it helps his country. The real sadness is that I leave my old mother and young children wrapped in gloom. O azure Heaven! Why did we come to such a pass!

The Straits Settlements have declared Moulmein an infected port on account of the cholera existing there.

An import of 44 lb. on sugar in England would yield \$3,000,000, a fact which increases the belief that a sugar tax is probable in the new Budget.

It appears from a London telegram of the 14th ult. that the mortality from influenza in the metropolis then amounted to 40 cases weekly and was increasing.

The *New York Sun* has apologised for publishing a garbled account of the letters of Lieutenant Morrison, of the Canadian Contingent, with reference to "British brutality" in South Africa, and has dismissed the author, who was the Ottawa correspondent.

A curious fact in connection with the steamer *Ophir*, which is conveying the Duke and Duchess of York and Cornwall to Australia, is that before she started a portion of the civilian firemen on board refused to be vaccinated. The rest sympathising with them, all were dismissed, and replaced by men from the Naval Depot.

The "Imperial Queensland Opal," the property of Mr. Maurice Lyons which is reported to be worth \$50,000, was being exhibited at the Victorian Agency in London last month. It is stated that the owner intends to offer it to the King as a contribution to the coronation regalia, in honour of the Commonwealth of Australia.

A London telegram of the 10th ult. to an Australian paper states that the popular Lancashire cricketer Briggs has had a serious relapse of his complaint and has been removed to an asylum. It will be remembered that Briggs rather unexpectedly recovered from his previous attack and played for Lancashire last season.

A Renter's telegram dated London, 23rd March, reports from Peking that doubtless the timely arrival of British Marines at Tientsin averted a serious danger. They replaced the Madras Pioneers who for several days were surrounded by crowds of foreign soldiers, mostly French who abused the Sepoys and called them coolies. After this we read that the French regiment at Tientsin, which is composed largely of Parisians, is being replaced by another from Peking.

A *New Press* telegram, dated Peking, 29th March, says that it is now decided that the British forces in Peking are to evacuate. Headquarters will be transferred to the Summer Palace five miles north-west of Peking, with a portion of the forces, and the remainder of the troops will go to Putchu as soon as the warm weather begins. Peking is declared to be quite untenable through the summer, for sanitary reasons, and only the most urgent political considerations could keep the forces here. These do not now exist. It is expected the Emperor will more readily come to Peking in consequence of this decision.

The Nanchang correspondent of the *N.C. Daily News* says that the new Governor of Kiangsi has taken hold of matters with a stiff hand, if the report of the under officials is any criterion, and is judged to be a vigorous old man. Much difficulty is being experienced in the adjustment of the Roman Catholic claims. The officials say they are willing to pay all just claims, but are unable to meet claims that seem to them after careful investigation to be exorbitant. It is suggested that all claims for indemnity be submitted to a board of arbitration, for the probabilities are that such a board would approve all legitimate claims.

## POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, 9th April.

BEFORE MR. HAZELAND.

DIDN'T KNOW THE REGULATIONS. The master of the steamer *Sarika* was summoned by Sergeant Smith for blowing the vessel's whistle needlessly and other than for the purposes of navigation. The defendant said his ship had been piloted to what he considered was a dangerous anchorage, and he determined to take her out. In the absence of a pilot he had to perform the work himself, and blew the whistle to warn junks and other craft in the vicinity. He had not been in Victoria Harbour before, and did not know the regulations.

His Worship—Oh, you must have known it was against the regulations to sound your whistle as you did. I fine you five dollars.

MONKEY SWARMS. A hawker down Wanchoi way was on Monday attempting to shoulder his wares, when a dollar rolled out of his pocket. He did not see the coin fall, but a ricksha coolie did, and promptly picked it up and bolted. A boy standing near told the hawker of what had taken place, and the latter pursued the thief and had him arrested. The dollar was found in his waistband.

His Worship sent him to prison for three weeks, with hard labour.

NO LIGHT. A cashier in the Field Controller's office, C.E.F., was fined \$5 for riding his bicycle without a light after sunset on the 5th inst.

PROSECUTIONS BY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Mr. H. P. Tooker, executive engineer of the Public Works Department, prosecuted a Chinese contractor, of 24, Stanley Street, for blasting stone on Cause Road within fifteen yards of a dwelling house, without first having covered the stones to be blasted with a shield or taken any precautions to prevent fragments from being projected into the air. Mr. Tooker said that a piece of stone almost struck him.

The defendant was fined \$25.

A similar penalty was imposed upon another Chinese contractor for erecting a shed or structure of mats on Crown land without the previous sanction of the Director of Public Works. He was further ordered to remove the matshed by six o'clock.

ELDERLY HOUSES. Eleven Chinese householders were summoned by J. Roger, inspector of nuisances, for failing to keep their dwellings in a cleanly condition. They were each fined in sums ranging from \$1 to \$5.

## TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

## THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

SHANGHAI, 8th April, 7.22 p.m.

COURT PREPARES TO LEAVE  
HSIAN.

Honan despatches report that large barges are being built for the transport of the Court across the Hoang Ho, on their journey to Peking.

REACTIONARY APPOINTMENTS. Yu Yen-lin has been appointed Governor of Kwangai and Hsi Liang Governor of Hupeh, both of them being violent reactionaries.

SHANGHAI, 9th April, 7.5 p.m.

NEW REFORM PROGRAMME—  
CHINESE OFFICIALS' PROPOSALS.

The Viceroy and Governors have jointly agreed that the following reforms are necessary for immediate adoption:

- (1) Princes and nobles shall go abroad for study;
- (2) Graduates shall study abroad before becoming officials;
- (3) All examinations require thorough and reasonable revision;
- (4) More schools and colleges are required;
- (5) The Army must adopt foreign drill;
- (6) The three years' limit of office must be abolished in the case of "deserving" officials;
- (7) The model recommended for the police is the police force at Shanghai;
- (8) The Imperial Post must be extended over the whole Empire;
- (9) The silver dollar shall be the universal legal tender.

## REUTER'S SERVICE.

London, 6th April.

THE PLAGUE AT CAPE TOWN.  
BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

General French's column is suffering great hardships. Supplies have been unobtainable for days owing to the rains.

Colonel Plumer has occupied Pietpotgietersrust unopposed. A portion of the late Boer invaders have recrossed the Orange River.

London, 7th April.

## BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

The Boer invaders have occupied Philippstown.

## FIGHTING IN MANCHURIA.

It is announced in St. Petersburg that hard fighting has taken place between the Russians and Chinese in Manchuria, between Kobansky and Simunimung, in which several Russians were killed. The Chinese lost heavily and fled northwards.

London, 7th April.

## RUSSIA AND MANCHURIA.

Russia in an identical note to the Powers on the 3rd instant says that, as any special agreement on the subject of Manchuria might involve the neighbouring Empire in difficulties, instead of serving as a proof of Russia's friendliness towards China, Russia does not insist on such agreement, but renounces all possible negotiations about Manchuria, and in the meantime quietly awaits the course of events, whilst adhering to her oft-repeated programme.

London, 6th April.

## ILLNESS OF THE CHINESE MINISTER AT ST. PETERSBURG.

Yung-yu, the Chinese Minister at St. Petersburg, was seized with apoplexy after an interview with Count Lamsdorf, and is lying unconscious. No agreement can be signed until he recovers, or is replaced.

Delayed.

## SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, 9th April.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR A. G. NINE (PUISNE JUDGE).

A WAGES DISPUTE. His Lordship had before him the suit of Ng Sing Chi, The Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and the cross action thereto.

Mr. Reece was solicitor for the plaintiff, and Mr. Looker (Messrs. Deacon and Hastings) represented the Company.

It was an action brought by the plaintiff, a captain of a lighter to recover \$80 alleged to be due for wages from 1st January to 15th February, and the cross action by the Company was to recover the same amount, as and by way of damages for breach of contract.

Evidence having been tendered, that of the plaintiff in support of his case, and by Mr. Hanmond, an overseer, on behalf of the Company, His Lordship gave judgment for the amount claimed in both suits, with costs.

## TIENTSIN.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Tientsin, 28th March.

NO NEWS AND MANY RUMOURS. The situation is unchanged in its international and imperial aspects, and there is absolutely no progress to chronicle. We have every day the same crop of silly rumours that the Court starts for Peking next week, that the Empress has consented to abdicate her power and to become a nun, that she is at death's door with an incurable disease, &c., &c., but none of these rumours are anything but the creation of the newspaper, who has to justify his presence to his employers and find it a very hard thing to do if he confine himself to the fabrication of mere news. Never before during a decade and a half in North China have I known such a dearth of trustworthy news on the subject of the Court and Chinese affairs generally. The Japanese rumour press is especially the victim of false intelligence in connection with things Chinese; one might safely postulate that two thirds of their telegraphic intelligence from China is wrong or speculative, and the other third trivial.

THE END OF THE LOCAL CRISIS. Our twofold local crisis is over, and we are once more reduced nearly to normal calm. Count von Waldersee was the *dux et machina* in disposing of the Railway excitement. With great commonsense he suggested that both claimants should withdraw their guards and leave things exactly as they are, till investigation be made into the subject of the line. The result, as you know, consists entirely in the right to a piece of land sold by one party. Even if he has destroyed all documentary evidence, priority of possession can be determined by other means. Each side is confident that it is only claiming its own, and disclaims all intention of jockeying the other; if this be so, then a legal investigation under competent and impartial judges is an infinitely better method of establishing claim than by armed guards. In the present attitude of China versus Christendom and Japan's resort to force, until all other means have been tried, would be nothing but a transparent crime.

ARREST OF A RUSSIAN OFFICIAL. During the week General Raillood, the second in command, has come down from Peking and has by a judicious mixture of tact and strength, all but settled the Anglo-French difficulty. He has persuaded his compatriots that the British action in occupying the line from the British concession was not the mere outcome of an acute Gallophobia, but the direct result of the conduct of a few of their more thoughtless comrades, he pointed out the inexpediency of walking out ahead of and practical joking, and said that if he got the prohibition removed he hoped they would give no justification for re-imposing it. Then he approached our people in a friendly way and under a pledge of expressed confidence that the annoyance would not recur, got the rate removed. Our folk were only too glad to do it on every ground, among others, that the French were making access to the Railway easement, to say the least of it, and it is even dangerous to be on bad terms with one's neighbours. It is to be understood that the "thunderbolt" of Aphrodite (Jasponensis) is only accessible to the gallant Gauls by a pilgrimage through our Settlement, hence many women have been just a little anxious yesterday when we had an abundance of young British troops in the town. The Royal Welsh were here en passant to Peking. There is no doubt that the Welshmen, especially in alliance with the New South Welshmen and Victorians, would not have kept over an occasion for a little fight just to vivify the tedium of these prosaic times. Things yesterday were in marked contrast to last Sunday, when an Indian was badly mauled and more than one British officer bloodied, harassed or jostled on the roads of the French Concession.

MR. STOKES' DEATH. There is a report, which I have not been able to disprove, that the Rev. J. Stokes of the London Mission was two days ago brutally killed by a band of mounted bandits some half way between Peking and Tientsin near Lo-Pa. Such an incident, deplorable as it is, is highly probable, and the wonder is that we have had so few of them during this transition time. Between Tientsin and Taku on this side of the River, mounted marauders have been rushing the villages and making night attacks during the last six weeks. Robbery is almost the only course open to the scallagony of the disbanded soldiers; moreover the band characters of this whole neighbourhood have for years lived by the piracy on the River, and now that little merchandise comes up they are finding times hard. The military transport is of course always guarded.

CITY AND RIVER IMPROVEMENTS. The Provisional Government will long be famous in Tientsin for its fine zeal in the way of Public Works, indifferent in many other respects, this assembly of Colonels and Majors has really done more in six months for urban and river improvement than the Chinese would have done in six centuries. The old and useless city walls are down, and are being replaced by good broad streets; a fine promenade now runs for four miles down the Pei Ho's right bank, and this week the Board has anticipated the action of others by devoting 110,000 to a new form of River improvement viz. the straightening of the channel by cuttings. At the end of the Tientsin Reach just below the Concessions a new bed is to be cut through a reef of land one mile long, thus obviating a circuitous bend of three miles and two very difficult and shallow corners. Several of these great cuttings are wanted, but this is the most urgent; and it is extremely creditable to the Government that it has attacked the problem. Even if its work is absorbed in that of the proposed "Conservancy" it will still have



the credit of inaugurating a great measure of public, and almost national importance. There is abundance of water in the Poi He this spring. Mr. de Linder's scheme is so far completely successful; what is now wanted is to deepen and especially to lengthen the channel in the acute lands. No vessel of over 200 tons can get round them at present.

Later.

**THE AUSTRALIAN DEFANT.**  
The Victorian half of the Australian Contingent left at this morning. There was a remarkable demonstration of good will on the part of the band. General Campbell voiced the sentiments of all. The civil and military, in conferring on them common obligation for their splendid services, the General said that in all his long service he had never been associated with a more and better disciplined body of men, and that he and we parted with them with the greatest regret. The band of the Hongkong Regiment played them off, and almost every officer and man of duty in the garrison turned out to wish the men "God speed" home. The New South Wales contingent follows tomorrow from Peking.

I grieve to say the news of the tragedy to Mr. Stonehouse is confirmed, though no particulars are yet to hand.

## CHANGE DOINGS.

The morning of March Settlement, Hongkong, 1901.

Phew! At last the Settlement, that March Settlement which has been weighing on the minds of many, that Settlement, which it had been predicted, would surely cause a slump all round, has come and gone, and yet the market has kept its equilibrium. That it should have occurred on a Saturday was in itself a serious disadvantage, but thanks to the staff of the banks principally concerned, who on this occasion, as on many other occasions of emergency, were most obliging and accommodating, everything passed off like clockwork. Such a heavy Settlement has not been known since those never-to-be-forgotten days of 1888 and 1889, when the share market was at its height. But what a difference between the mad speculation of that mad period, to recover from the evil effects of which it took Hongkong four bitter years, and the healthy investment business of the present day! Instead of the men of straw, who then constituted the bulk of speculators and who, for a time, were able to control the market to their own undoing, we now have sober-minded solid business men, who would not encourage under speculation, and who can be depended upon in case of a panic. Instead, too, of the shady ventures, such as bogus tobacco companies, silver mines in unknown lands, and others of the like kind, which were panned off on a too trusting public and took vast sums of money out of the Colony, we now have sound productive concerns, all judging from their published statements, in prosperous condition and attracting capital here from all over the East. There can be no question that it is to this last factor that we owe, in a great measure, our present easy financial situation.

The month has not been without its anxieties, but these were only transient, and were lifted over without any difficulty. Settlement realisations were generally profitable, but those came off best who held out to the last, and who were not scared into parting with their holdings at the first sign of any slight momentary weakness. The stock which was mostly feared was, of course, Banks, in which a very heavy business had been doing for some time past, but they held firm up to the last. A big line of these shares has found its way up North, but destined, I believe, for a more important market. There was, however, very little new business done during the month, only a few insignificant lots changing hands, on time, viz., 274 per cent. to 372 per cent. for July, 365 per cent. to 363 per cent. for May, and 361 per cent. to 358 per cent. for April. The cash rate closed at 353 per cent.

Docks—kept steady, but quiet during the greater part of the month. Latterly, however, there was again a brisk demand, fancy prices being paid for forward shares when obtainable. The old scrip is now in the hands of the Company, to be exchanged for new. This change is a positive boon to small investors, who will now be able to pay their savings in a concern which has been beyond their reach hitherto.

Shipping—A steady business has been doing in India all throughout the month, the northern port being the principal buyer, both for cash and on time. The month's quotations varied very little, having been \$119 to \$121 for June, and \$117 to \$119 for July. Steamboats experienced a heavy drop, falling as low as \$32, but latterly, recovering somewhat, closed steady at \$33. This sudden decline is doubtless owing to that periodical life noise to the Company, another operation on their line. It is rumoured, however, that the latter has already broken down. Douglas was picked off the market at the uniform rate of \$48, but the supply seems continuous, sellers still ruling the market at the close. Star Ferries appear to be daily coming into increased favour, buyers being prepared to pay \$22 for old shares and \$7 for new, but very few shares are forthcoming.

China Sagars—Under this head last month I mentioned that a good statement and a good dividend may be expected. I see I was not wrong in this prediction, as a few days after its appearance in print, the announcement was made that it had been decided to declare a dividend of \$1 per share, a handsome dividend indeed, and one much beyond what the most sanguine shareholders could have expected. When it is remembered, but a twelve-month back, what a sorry plight the company's affairs were in, its recuperative powers must appear all the more remarkable, and the General Managers deserve the greatest credit for effecting this wonderful change in such a short time. It is

devoted to be hoped that the Chairman's anticipations of favourable prospects for the current year will prove equally right as his anticipations of last year have certainly proved. Immediately the dividend became known, a rush, of course, was made for shares, which soon rose from \$134 to \$143, from the latter figure they fell back to \$137, but have since rallied, and close at \$136 1/2.

**Kowloon Wharves.**—The strong enquiry of last month, when the closing rate was \$95, slackened somewhat in the early part of the period under review. Of a sudden, however, a determined demand set in, which, being very poorly met, rapidly pushed up the rate to \$100, but even at this latter figure very few shares were parted with. Rumours of railways, and reports of larger profits that the company is making, have played their part in accounting for the sudden rise, but the real reason probably is these shares have been standing below their intrinsic value for some time. Be that as it may, the market closes very firm, and shares are scarce to find.

**Hongkong Lands** kept fluctuating between \$195 and \$200, and were done in fair lots, both for cash and on time at perhaps slightly higher than the equivalent cash basis. Humphreys Estates have attracted a good deal of attention, and rose from \$12 to \$13.

**Hongkong Hotels.**—Not much has been doing in these shares, except a few settlement lots and a small forward business, the rate having remained almost stationary and ranging from \$123 cash div. and \$119 ex div. The Company's earnings for the last half-year, some \$71,000, have, as I said two months ago, not come up to expectation, but this fact did not depress the market any further, seeing that the stock has stood much too low ever since that memorable and boisterous meeting of six months ago, when the directors and shareholders disagreed. On that occasion the director's report was thrown out and an amended one was put to the vote and passed, in spite of their strenuous opposition. En passant, it may be permissible to ask, as the result of that meeting, does not the position of the directors appear unprecedented? In the present case we have the curious spectacle of the directors actually declaring a dividend which, on their own admission, they consider is not justified by the profits, and when their mature judgment would have recommended a smaller one.

**Cements.**—This company's dividend of 8 per cent. has come rather as a disappointment, holders of this scrip having been in hopes of getting at least 10 per cent. Consequently, shares have been offering freely, and are obtainable at \$18.

**Watkins, Limited.**—The statement for the year, shows a total profit of a shade over \$18,000, not a bad profit for a concern of its size, especially when it is taken into consideration that it was made almost entirely in the company's ordinary business alone. It appears that the manager's several trips to Tientsin, with medical and other comforts, have not borne fruit yet. The quotation is somewhere about \$104, sellers.

**Hongkong Cottons** have again had a relapse, and are a drag on the market at \$7.

**Mining.**—The result of the Raub crushing has come to hand (about 1,500 oz.), and is certainly more promising. Buyers at \$38 failed to obtain many shares, the market closing very strong. Others also appear to be improving, the cable results of the 19 days' crushing, viz., 300 oz. out of about 500 tons of ore, raising the hopes of those who have pinned their faith in this company.

## LAWN TENNIS.

The annual Lawn Tennis Match between the Hongkong Cricket Club and the Ladies Recreation Club is announced to take place on the Cricket Club Ground to-day, starting at 3 p.m. The following will represent the two Clubs:

**H.K.C.C.**  
F. Macdonald (Capt. Langhorne, R.A.)  
E. J. Grist  
H. Humphreys  
A. Humphreys  
E. F. Mackay  
P. A. Cor

The Hongkong Cricket Club will be "At Home" during the afternoon and ladies are invited to attend.

By kind permission of Col. the Hon. Bartle and Officers, the Band of the R. W. Fusiliers will play during the afternoon.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. steamer *Coromandel* left Singapore for this port on the 8th inst., at 8 a.m. with the outward English Mail, and is due here on the 13th inst. at about 10 a.m.

The Austrian Lloyd's steamer *Trieste* left Kobe via Moji for this port on the 8th inst.

The O. S. S. steamer *Ulysses* left Singapore on the 7th inst., and is due in Hongkong on the 12th inst.

When Oom Paul first visited England he was the object of much concern to his fellow passengers on board the liner from Capetown, many of whom were consumed with curiosity when they noticed his absence from the dinner table for the first four days out (says the *St. James's Budget*). On inquiry they found that the careful Transvaal spent the dinner hour on deck, where he eagerly devoured bling and biscuits. When asked his reason, he testily replied: "I have no money to feed away on expensively. I have no money to feed away on expensively. I have no money to feed away on expensively."

The correspondent who tells the story, and was on board at the time, adds: "You should just have seen the old man trying to make up for lost time when it was explained to him that his passage-money included his meals on board."

**LIFE AND VIGOR FOR THE HAIR.**—The only article which really possesses nutritious virtues for stimulating, and restoring the hair, is ROWLAND'S MACASSAR OIL. It removes dandruff, hairiness, dryness, prevents the hair from falling out, and should always be used for children's hair, no other article imparts such a beautiful and dressy appearance to the hair as ROWLAND'S MACASSAR OIL, and if you have never used it, you are strongly advised to procure a bottle without delay, and continue using it; also in a golden colour for fair hair.

Sold by Stores and Chemists. (1432-3)

## HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The Eastern Rifle Meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association, which opened on Friday, was continued on Saturday and Sunday, when all the competitions, with the exception of the Ladies' Nomination, were concluded. The last-named event is one always productive of the keenest interest, and it was with great reluctance that the promoters of the meeting decided, on account of the unfavourable weather, to postpone it till Saturday next, when firing will commence at three o'clock.

Though not at all favoured by propitious weather conditions, the competitors on the whole have made very creditable scores. Mr. G. P. Lammett, with a score of 305 out of a possible 350, is the champion shot of the year. Mr. Marshall, second last year, again takes the same place, and Mr. McLennan is third. Appended are the principal scores.

**CHAMPIONSHIP—1st Stage.** Seven shots at 200, 500, 600 yards. (Highest possible score 105) 4 prizes, \$15, 10, 7, 5. 200 yards kneeling.

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1 H. Hobbay, A.B. (H.M.S. 33 33 31 97

2 Mr. G. P. Lammett 32 32 30 97

3 Mr. J. Marshall 31 32 33 96

4 Sgt. Inst. Wake 27 34 34 95

Range prizes in the above were won as follows:

At 200 yards.

1 H. Hobbay, A.B. 33 33 31 97

2 Mr. G. P. Lammett 32 32 30 97

3 Mr. J. Marshall 31 32 33 96

4 Sgt. Inst. Wake 27 34 34 95

At 500 yards.

1 Mr. G. P. Lammett 33 33 31 97

2 Mr. J. Marshall 32 32 30 97

3 Mr. J. Marshall 31 32 33 96

4 Sgt. Inst. Wake 27 34 34 95

At 600 yards.

1 Mr. J. Marshall 33 33 31 97

2 Mr. J. Marshall 32 32 30 97

3 Mr. J. Marshall 31 32 33 96

4 Sgt. Inst. Wake 27 34 34 95

CHAMPIONSHIP—2nd Stage, 10 shots at 500 yards, 15 shots at 600 yards, 4 prizes, \$15, 10, 7, 5.

(H.P.S. 125).

1 Mr. J. Marshall 500 680 Total 118

2 Mr. J. Marshall 49 67 117

3 Mr. A. Watson 49 71 116

4 Mr. R. Lapeley 48 65 113

Range prizes in the above were won as follows:

At 500 yds. (H.P.S. 50).

1 Mr. G. P. Lammett 49 47 96

2 Sgt. Inst. Wake 47 48 95

3 Mr. J. Marshall 48 47 95

4 Mr. J. Marshall 46 46 92

At 700 yds. (H.P.S. 50).

1 H. Hobbay, A.B. 49 47 96

2 Mr. G. P. Lammett 49 47 96

3 Mr. J. Marshall 48 47 95

4 Mr. J. Marshall 46 46 92

At 800 yds. (H.P.S. 50).

1 Sgt. Inst. Wake 48 47 95

2 Mr. J. Marshall 48 47 95

3 Mr. G. P. Lammett 47 47 94

Championship Grand Aggregate.—Aggregate of 3 Stages as above (H.P.S. 330) 10 Prizes.

1st Stage 2nd Stage 3rd Stage Total

1 Mr. G. P. Lammett 37 112 96 305

2 Mr. J. Marshall 36 111 92 299

3 Mr. D. McLennan 35 110 89 294

4 Mr. W. Stewart 34 110 89 293

5 Mr. J. Marshall 33 110 89 292

6 Mr. A. Watson 32 110 89 291

7 Sgt. Inst. Wake 31 110 89 290

8 Sgt. Inst. Wake 30 110 89 289

9 Mr. A. Mackenzie 30 110 89 288

10 Mr. R. Lapeley 30 110 89 287

The following scores are also recorded:—

Mr. J. Marshall, R.N. 89 102 85 286

H. Hobbay, R.N. 87 102 87 286

M. Sgt. Wallace, R.E. 85 101 86 282

Mr. D. Baldwin 88 108 85 281

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS VIA AUSTRALIA.

## THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Adelaide, 18th March.

**DEPORTING THE BOERS.**  
The British Secretary for War has stated that, if found necessary to deport more Boers from South Africa, Britain will not hesitate to do so. He also states that in the event of Boers being deported the advisability of sending them to Australia, instead of to Ceylon and India, will be considered.

**DE WET AND THE TRANSVAALERS.**  
According to Renter's correspondent, De Wet distinctly states that he will have nothing to do with the negotiations now proposed for the surrender of the Boers, and he has publicly stated that, next to Britishers, he hates Transvaalers most.

**ATTEMPTING TO SURRENDER.**  
A leading pro-Boer newspaper in Brussels is urging Kruger to recognise the fact that the emancipation of the Boer republics is now an impossibility. The same paper says it is utterly useless to continue the struggle any longer, and expresses the opinion that the carrying on of the campaign is now a barbarous and even criminal proceeding. The time has arrived, the paper concludes, to put a stop to the unequal struggle, and thus prevent the total extermination of a brave people.

18th March.

**PROPOSED BOER SURRENDER.**  
Most of the correspondents in South Africa agree in stating that the Boers in the Transvaal and the Orange River Colony are now openly discussing the question of a general surrender. Previously they were afraid to do so for fear of incurring their leaders' displeasure, and consequent punishment.

20th March.

**BOERS SHORT OF STORES.**  
It is stated that the Boers are getting into difficulties owing to the scarcity of supplies. Several commands have been unable to obtain sufficient food, and are consequently suffering severe privations.

**BRITISH TROOPS MAKE A BIG HAUL.**  
The different forces of Britishers in the Transvaal and Orange River Colony have made some successful raids recently. During the last few days they have succeeded in capturing over a hundred thousand head of stock, including sheep, cattle and horses.

**BOER COMMANDO SURROUNDED.**  
The Boer commando under Fourie is now within the cordon of British troops. This force escaped from Dewetsdorp some time ago. It is reported that the Boers comprising the commando are enquiring the best terms obtainable from Kitchener in the event of their surrendering.

**BRITISH TROOPSHIP DISABLED.**  
The troopship *Northam Castle*, with a contingent on board for South Africa, became disabled whilst at sea. She was towed to the Ascension Islands in a helpless state.

21st March.

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A British column under Colonel Babington and Shickelton have inflicted a very severe defeat upon fifteen hundred Boers under Delarey. They succeeded in capturing one hundred and forty prisoners, two fifteen-pounders, six Maxim guns, many waggons, and a great quantity of small arms.

**COMPENSATION TO GERMANS.**  
Great Britain has agreed to compensate all peaceful Germans mistakenly expelled from the Transvaal up to a maximum of £250 each.

**VARIOUS MOVES.**  
The Johannesburg mounted infantry have burned a hotel at Boschkop, which was being used as a Boer depot.

The newly arrived Australians are joining Delais's column, which is now operating near Kroonstad, in the Orange River Colony.

March 28th.

**THE EFFECT OF SUCCESS.**  
Latest South African news shows that French mounted forces have now arrived at Vryheid, near the Natal border. In the last two months he has killed, wounded, or captured twelve hundred Boers, also captured seven guns, one thousand rifles, eighteen hundred waggons, twenty-six thousand horses, cattle and sheep.

The most prominent Afrianders are strongly advising submission since Delarey's great defeat.

**SIR E. CLARKE'S VIEW.**  
Sir Edward Clarke, King's Counsel, formerly member for Plymouth, who has hitherto openly sympathised with the Boers, now condemns them owing to Botha's refusal of terms of peace.

Strong hopes are expressed by the English Press that the war will now be brought to an early conclusion.

**GENERAL NEWS.**

**REPORT ABOUT RUSSIA AND GERMANY.**  
The Berlin correspondent of the *Times* states that a secret treaty exists between Russia and Germany. He avers that both these Powers have agreed to assist each other in Chinese matters.

21st March.

**SMALLPOX IN MELBOURNE.**  
Smallpox has broken out in Melbourne. The disease first developed itself upon a passenger by the *Euryclia* from Calcutta.

**LORD ROBERTS TO VISIT AUSTRALIA.**  
Lord Roberts has announced that it is his intention to visit Australia as soon as circumstances permit.

**BOERS FOR AUSTRALIA.**  
None of the heads of the Australian Governments have received any notice with reference to the report that it is the intention of the British authorities to deport a number of Boers to the colonies.

**SYDNEY COMMONWEALTH CELEBRATIONS.**  
The total cost of the Sydney Commonwealth celebrations amounted to £22,000. The increased railway receipts, however, amounted to £66,000.

**INVITATION TO ENGLISH CRICKETERS.**  
New Zealand has invited the team of English cricketers touring the colonies next year to visit New Zealand and play a series of matches.

**PROPOSED RUSSO-AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP SERVICE.**  
A meeting held yesterday at Melbourne of the Victorian branch of the North Australian League, carried a motion "that the Russian Consul be interviewed with regard to steamship communication between Port Arthur and Port Darwin," and that a memorial be sent to the Federal Government asking that steps be taken with a view to the construction of the Transcontinental Railway; it was also resolved to urge the Government to establish telegraphic communication between Port Darwin and Wyndham, via Victoria River; and to make the country north of the twenty-fifth parallel a separate State.

27th March.

**RUSSIA OFFERING JAPAN COMPENSATION.**  
Russia is offering Japan compensation advantages on condition that she discontinues her resistance to the Manchuria convention.

28th March.

**PUNISHMENT FOR NEWSPAPER LIBELS.**  
The well-known British paper—the *Morning Leader* and *Star*—have been heavily fined for stating that members of Chamberlain's

of the Party offering imitations of "MACNIVEN & CAMERON'S PENS."

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**THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.**  
The majority of the English Liberals admit that it is now quite impossible in the face of

Botha's decision, for Chamberlain to proceed further in the matter of the peace proposals without seriously injuring British supremacy in South Africa.

The South African Press, commenting upon the concessions recently offered to the Boers by Great Britain, all agree in acknowledging that the generosity displayed by the British nation throughout the war is unsurpassed.

The Continental Press, whilst referring to the recent peace proposals, admits, although very reluctantly and with a bad grace, that Chamberlain's moderation and forbearance have been most exceptional in a case like the one in point. The same papers add that Britain, by her action in extending an opportunity to surrender to the Boers, shows that the enterprisers no feelings of vindictiveness towards a fallen foe.

The London *Times* South African correspondent states that the failure of the peace negotiations with Botha has caused great rejoicing amongst the British regulars and the Colonial troops at the front, and they express universal satisfaction at the result. The whole of the troops in South Africa believe as one man that a permanent and enduring peace can only be obtained by the complete humiliation of the remaining commandos in the field.

**KITCHENER'S PLANS.**

Kitchener has manoeuvred his men so that he can now execute a grand driving movement from Orange River Colony. His forces now form a crescent, and he proposes driving the Boers in a north-easterly direction towards the coast.

**CHARGE OF TREASON.**

The Mayor of Marburg, a town in Cape Colony, has been arrested on a charge of treason. It is stated that he was in collusion with the Boers, and surrendered the town into the hands of the enemy.

**TRAIN WRECKED BY BOERS.**

The Boers are still engaged in raiding and wrecking, and derail trains whenever an opportunity offers. They recently succeeded in wrecking a provision train near Vlakwaagte, and getting away with a quantity of stores.

**TROOPS FOR SOUTH AFRICA.**

British troops continue to be sent out to South Africa every day. Five thousand mounted men leave England for Port Elizabeth next week.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## NOTICE

WE have This Day Authorised Mr. PAUL BREWITT to Sign our Firm PROSECUTION. DARTLY & CO. Hongkong, 10th April, 1901. [979]

A YOUNG GENTLEMAN, having a FURNISHED FLAT in Queen's Road Central, wishes the Company of another Gentleman to share same. Apply to—

"ROOM." Care of Office of this Paper. Hongkong, 10th April, 1901. [981]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have been favored with instructions to Sell by Public Auction, Opposite the City Hall, TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 11th April, at 3 P.M., TWELVE HORSES Cast from the 1st Bengal Lancers, all of which have been broken and trained for Military purposes.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers to the Government. Hongkong, 10th April, 1901. [982]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

## "YUENSANG."

Captain Rolfe, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 10th inst., at Noon, instead of as previously notified.

This steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers, is fitted throughout with Electric Light, and carries a Doctor. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 9th April, 1901. [977]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Company's Steamship

## "ESMERALDA."

Captain G. T. Blackland, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 12th inst., at 5 P.M. This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, and is fitted with the Electric Light.

A Doctor is carried. For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 10th April, 1901. [985]

THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR FOCHOW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

## "ANPING-MARU."

Captain S. Atsumi, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 24th April, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents. Hongkong, 10th April, 1901. [19]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

## "INABA MARU."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M., TO-DAY, the 9th inst. Goods not cleared by the 16th inst., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and Notice of same sent to this Office before the 19th inst., or claims in connection therewith will not be recognized.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. Hongkong, 9th April, 1901. [984]

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA (FLORIO & RUBATINO) UNITED COMPANIES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

## "BORMIDA."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, whence delivery may be obtained. Perishable Goods to be taken delivery of immediately.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate obtained from the Godown Company, within seven days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 14th inst., will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 8th April, 1901. [7]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

## "CHELYDRA"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after Noon, the 12th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at EAST POINT.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 8th April, 1901. [986]

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## TO LET

HOUSE, No. 3, SEYMOUR ROAD, now occupied by E. JONES, Esq., 3 Storied European Residence, containing 6 ROOMS and commanding a good View of the Harbour. Apply to—

DARTLY & CO., Agents, 19, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, 10th April, 1901. [980]

## GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE, MEXICAN DOLLARS, current in this Colony, and weighing 7.17, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 10 days sight on the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, until 11 A.M., TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 11th inst.

The Tenders to state the total amount required (in Pounds Sterling) and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for sums less than £100. The Tenders to be in Duplicate and in sealed covers, addressed to the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, and endorsed "TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT BILLS." The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

S. D. CROOKENDEN, Colonel, Chief Paymaster, China. His Majesty's Treasury Office, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 4th April, 1901. [983]

## NOTICE.

TENDERS are hereby called for the ERECTION of BRICK SHOPS at JESSLETON for the NORTH BORNEO GOVERNMENT, particulars of which may be seen at the Office of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 14th February, 1901. [508]

## NOTICE.

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## WO FAT &amp; CO.

SHIP CHANDLERS, SAIL MAKERS, GENERAL STOREKEEPERS, No. 11, LEE YUEN STREET, EAST. Hongkong, 25th July, 1900. [267]

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CAPITAL £120,000 Divided into 12,000 Shares of £10 each. 5,000 Shares have been Subscribed Privately, the remaining 7,000 Shares are offered to the Public.

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BANKERS: THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

GENERAL MANAGEMENT. The Management of the Business will be conducted as heretofore until the engagement of a competent Manager by the Co.'s Agents in London.

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The vendor will provide all preliminary expenses of the formation and bringing out of the Company, and the issue of its Capital.

The vendor, WILLIAM POWELL, Junior, will enter into an agreement with the Company for the sale and purchase of the business.

Prospectuses together with Application Forms, can be obtained at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Queen's Road, or from W. H. GASKELL, 14, Des Vaux Road.

Share Lists will CLOSE on the 30th day of April, 1901. Hongkong, 4th April, 1901. [944]

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INSPECTION IS SOLICITED. Hongkong, 8th November, 1900. [27]

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 11th April, 1901, at 2.45 P.M., at "STILLINGFLEET," Peak Road, THE WHOLE OF THE VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE therein, comprising

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One COTTAGE PIANO, by John Broadwood and Sons. On View from Wednesday, 10th April. Catalogues will be issued. TERMS.—Cash on delivery. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer. Hongkong, 5th April, 1901. [958]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. No. 201.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Office of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 15th day of APRIL, 1901, at 3 P.M., are published for general information. By Command.

T. SERCOMBE SMITH, Acting Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 29th March, 1901. [969]

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 15th day of APRIL, 1901, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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Apply to— S. B., Care of Daily Press Office. Hongkong, 14th March, 1901. [740]

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Apply to— G. C. ANDERSON, 20, Des Vaux Road. Hongkong, 15th March, 1901. [756]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE. MRS. GIL LANDERS "GLENWOOD," 21, CAINE ROAD. Hongkong, 20th September, 1900. [889]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE. COMFORTABLY FURNISHED ROOMS with Board. Apply to Mrs. MATHIE, 2, Pedder's Hill. Hongkong, 1st January, 1901. [852]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE. MRS. SIDNEY JEFFREY, "VICTORIA," BRIDGE ROAD WEST, FALMOUTH, SURREY, ENGLAND. Hongkong, 28th August, 1900. [78]

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 1st February, 1901. [387]

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## A LUCKY ESCAPE.

BY  
**CLIVE B. FENN**  
(Author of "A Far Away Memory," &c.)

It had been a stiff morning's fight. The dumplings had worked dead weight with the Baggage horsemen, but yet a good many English went to the last account too.

Estcourt recalled being struck down, and then a curtain fell. The next thing he realised was curious in the extreme.

He was being lifted up; he heard someone say, "He is alive."

Then he was put on a horse in front of a rider, and a long march began.

The hot day, the scene, the desert—all that seemed to go by like a mist; his head swam. It was not till the cool of the evening, when there was a halt, and he and his companion in misfortune, Sergeant Brooke, were placed in a hut that complete consciousness returned.

He saw that though his own case might be bad that of the Sergeant was immeasurably worse; the non-commissioned officer lay there looking up at the roof.

"He will die," he thought.

When a man in authority looked in and asked in guttural French if he was well, Estcourt uttered a protest on behalf of his fellow-prisoner.

"Do something for him," he said.

The man shrugged his shoulders.

"Mais il va mourir."

"Qu'il meure donc," was the brutal reply, and he swaggered out of the hut.

The Sergeant was in a delirium a few hours later, imagining himself fighting. Estcourt watched over him. When morning came he appeared appreciably better.

He was afraid that they would separate him, but though several guards came into the hut at about mid-day they went again without doing more than glance at the fetters which had been fastened on the prisoners' wrists and ankles.

In the afternoon Estcourt heard his name called. The Sergeant was lucid, but was nearing the end.

"I am lost," he said feebly. "I am lost. Estcourt, give me your hand. You have much to wish me ill for."

"But I don't wish you ill. All that is forgotten. By-gones are by-gones for ever."

"Thank you. What fools we were. How we miss our chances here! Good-bye."

The Sergeant's head fell back. He was dead. Estcourt laid a cloth over the face, and called the sentry who was outside.

"What is it?" he said.

"You see my friend: he is dead."

The man made a gesture and went out, and a few hours afterwards the body was taken away and buried. Later in the day the man who spoke French appeared again.

"Will you join me?" he said.

Estcourt indignantly refused.

"You had better reconsider that," said the man. "You would have a post of confidence. You would be at the door of the master."

"I have considered," he replied.

"You will not join us?"

"I will not join you."

"You will at least give your parole?"

"I will not."

"Temple fool! You cannot escape, and such conduct, such obstinacy, will make your treatment more severe."

"All the same I am determined. I shall not change."

"Then you have but yourself to blame for what may occur."

He gave an impatient shrug of the shoulders and walked out abruptly into the blinding white sunlight which looked so dazzling, so curiously brilliant, viewed from the shadow of the dark hut. Hours went by; he forgot that the Sergeant was dead, that now he might try to escape, that nothing withheld him.

"And yet," he thought, "need I have considered him? He made the poor chaps lives wretched."

Then he fell to thinking about why he, an Oxford man, had enlisted—a quarrel at a game of pique. Perhaps all that would be forgiven now.

It was all very strange. A feeling of indifference came upon him. It did not much signify, after all, and the past, the old life, the boating party, the piano at night, the remembered words of a song.

"Poor Jim!"

How I envied him! all the old dreams of a vanished summer, with a scene in a lilac-scented garden and an early morning departure before the break of day, with the life in later days, the contentment, the excitement of a military life at the Victoria Barracks.

Windsor—all that came back in a quaint misty way. What would they be doing in London just then?

And as he lay there, thinking of the old days, and listening to the sounds of the night, the purring flight of a moth, the drowsy clatter of a camel, the confused medley of soft cries and movements, it seemed as if he was being introduced in a dream to a consecutive conversation. It was conducted in that curious chop-stick French he had heard before.

The man who had spoken to him in the afternoon was outside speaking once more. Who was he? Not a Frenchman, although he spoke a little French—Frenchmen did not act like that. Not a Spaniard, despite a soft exclamation in the language of Cervantes, a "Dios!" in velvet tones.

No, he must be a human compound, a polyglot party, one of the men who have a little of the worst of every southern nation, the born adventurers on the great routes of the world.

And he went on talking; but unfortunately it was mostly in the native tongue—only a few words of said English came under his tongue. So far as his chains would allow him he got up and listened. He made out such words as "Surprise!"—"will end it all!"—"to-morrow!"—and he gathered from it that an attack was to be made.

But then that meant that the English were close by. The voices ceased, and all was silent again.

Then the English were near—near to El Farz—and they were ignorant of the presence of the enemy. They might be defeated, annihilated absolutely. They ought to be warned. But how?

He rose to his feet. Alas! How could he warn his countrymen? He was fastened by the ankles to a ring bolt in the floor, and his hands were manacled; he sat down again, and felt the ring, and then rubbed it with the chain which fastened his hands.

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Then he stopped suddenly, for the noise he had made tripped him. A shadow seemed to flit across the open doorway of the hut. And out there in the interior of the night everything was happening, out there across the vast desert, in other lands, on the great sea!

Yet rubbing the bolt would do no good. "It would take a good twelve months at least," he thought.

There must be another way—something short of taking the hut with him.

"That poor sergeant!" he thought. "I imagined that we should get away together, but we shall not now."

He rubbed the iron staple for another minute, but he made no impression. Then he took hold of the ring. Why should it not come up? He tried to work it backwards and forwards, but his efforts were at first futile, for the earth of the hut floor had been beaten hard; but at length he found that the ring slightly moved; he jerked it, and it moved more. Then he endeavoured to perform one of the movements recommended to those who employ the athletic exercise, he took hold of the chain which fastened his ankles to the ring and threw himself backwards. The ring came up with a run, and he was thrown heavily on the ground on his back, where he lay for a few minutes with a jar running painfully through his spine and partially stunning him.

Somewhat, though, the consciousness of what he had to do forced him back to action. He got up, and lifting the chain and staple walked to the door, and looked out. All was silent. He caught sight of the white robe of an Arab sentinel vanishing round the end of the buildings in that encampment, and then he moved quickly across the broad silvery patch of moonlight into the shade of the other huts. Here he paused again.

It needed no long consideration to realise that he could not advance far, fettered as he was by the chains. He remained in the shadow of the huts, thinking. Then a movement behind caused him to start forward again. He continued in the shadow as far as possible, but that friendly gloom would have to be left directly, he knew. It was away out there across the desert in the brilliant unrelieved light that he would find the English. A pain tore ahead to the north looked sales away. He reached the end of the encampment, and paused again.

Out of the darkness came an odd assortment of little sounds; native women were talking in whispers. One of the little popovers whimpered, and a camel seemed to be entering a protest.

What if he was seen? It would not mean anything very peaceful for him.

"It is necessary not to be caught," he thought.

The duty before him was to escape, and give the alarm, for otherwise the Madist hordes might effect a surprise and win at any rate a temporary success under its half-breed leaders.

He soon came to the end of the shadow; in case of detection there would be nothing else for it but running.

The white desert stretched ahead like a vast silver sheet with no end to it. He was sure he was going right; he had to take the direction of the north, and there was the Nile away to the right far distant.

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SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	STRATHGYLE	Brit. str.			BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS.	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.			GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	To-morrow, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS.	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.			NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 19th inst. at 4 P.M.
TRIESTE, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL.	TRIESTE	Aut. str.		P. T. Holmes	SANDER, WILKIE & CO.	On 13th inst. at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	INABA MARU	Jap. str.		G. E. P. Cook	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst. at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SHINANO MARU	Jap. str.		E. W. Haswell	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst. at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KASUGA MARU	Jap. str.		S. Yoshizawa	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HIOKOSHIMA MARU	Brit. str.		Laver	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
SHANGHAI	CHILIL	Brit. str.		Dowson	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On or about 11th inst.
SHANGHAI	WUHOANG	Brit. str.			EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO. LD.	On 12th inst. at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YAKKA	Fren. str.		F. W. Scholz	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 13th inst.
SHANGHAI	LOONGMOON	Ger. str.			P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 13th inst.
SHANGHAI	PAOTING	Brit. str.			P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 22nd inst.
SHANGHAI	COROMANDEL	Brit. str.		W. Hayward, R.N.R.	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 17th inst. at Daylight.
SHANGHAI & JAPAN	CYCLON	Brit. str.		S. Atsumi	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 14th inst.
FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW & AMOY	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.		K. Suzuki	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On or about 15th inst.
SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWAN	AKASHI MARU	Jap. str.		T. Ogata	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	To-day.
TAIPEI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIWIN MARU	Jap. str.		S. Hirai	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Noon.
TAKAO VIA AMOY	SONGKIANG	Brit. str.		Reife	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 12th inst. at 5 P.M.
MANILA	YUENANG	Brit. str.		R. W. Almond	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 12th inst. at 5 P.M.
MANILA	PERLA	Brit. str.		G. T. Blackland	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
MANILA	ESMERALDA	Brit. str.		L. Fey	DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.	On 12th inst. at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	ARRATON APCAR	Brit. str.			CARLOWITZ & CO.	On 12th inst. at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY	BORMIDA	Ital. str.				

## SHIPPING.

**ARRIVALS.**  
 April 8, TAIYUAN, British str., 1,459, Nelson, Yokohama 2nd April, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
 April 9, HUNAN, British str., 1,158, Frazier, Chinkiang 3rd April, Rice and Oil.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
 April 9, GUYRER, British str., 2,347, W. G. McArthur, Sydney 17th March and Manila 2nd April, General.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.  
 April 9, DAPHNE, German str., 1,291, Nissen, Moji 4th April, Coal.—SIEMSEN & CO.  
 April 9, INABA MARU, Japanese str., 3,334, Wm. Bainbridge, London 1st March and Singapore 4th April, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
 April 9, CHELYDRA, British str., 1,567, R. Cox, Calcutta 22nd March and Singapore 3rd April, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.  
 April 9, ISUMI MARU, Japanese str., 2,301, M. J. Currow, Shanghai 6th April, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
 April 9, OBI, British str., 1,612, R. Pinkham, Cardiff 23rd Feb., Patent Fuel.—GOVERNMENT.  
 April 9, THYRA, British str., 2,244, Dunning, Barry Dock 15th Feb., Coal.—ORDRE.

## CLEANANCES.

At THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.  
 7th APRIL.  
 Palaya, British str., for Swatow.  
 Hainan, British str., for Swatow.  
 Yuenang, British str., for Manila.  
 Glenfalloch, British str., for Amoy.  
 Anping Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow.

## DEPARTURES.

April 8, CARTHAGE, British hospital ship, for Calcutta.  
 April 9, HUNAN, British str., for Canton.  
 April 9, CHUSAN, British str., for Singapore.  
 April 9, PERA C. KLAU, Brit. str., for Bangkok.  
 April 9, HAILAN, French str., for Hongkong.  
 April 9, PROGRESS, German str., for Tientsin.  
 April 9, AVRORA, Brit. cruiser for Singapore.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

At THE DOCK.—Esmeralda, Madagascar.  
 At Kowloon Docks.—U.S.S. Isla de Luzon, U.S.S. Birmingham, U.S.S. Yorktown, S.M.S. Hertha, Hanoi, Illice, Lung Tain, Hangchow, Gloving, Chofu, Pinguey, Compagnie, Philippine, H.M.S. Ocean, H.M.S. Linnet, Shanghai.  
 At COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—U.S.S. Concord, Colonies, Perla, Petriana, Coptic.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Chelydra, from Calcutta 22nd March and Singapore 3rd April, had light N.E. monsoon and fine weather to 50 miles south of Gap Rock.  
 The British steamer Taiyuan, from Yokohama 2nd April, had fine weather and moderate winds on the Japan coast and strong N.E. monsoon and thick, rainy weather on the China coast.  
 The British steamer Chelydra, from Sydney 17th March, Brisbane 19th, Townsville 22nd, Thursday Island 26th, Port Darwin 29th and Manila 6th April, experienced fine weather with light variable winds and smooth seas throughout the passage till arrival at Manila; thence to port light variable winds and considerable N.E. swell across the China Sea, with overcast weather.

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THE Steamship  
 "BORMIDA."  
 Captain Costa, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 13th inst. at Noon.  
 At Bombay the steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.  
 For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to  
 CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.  
 Hongkong, 9th April, 1901.

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship  
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 Captain I. Fey, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 10th inst. at Noon.  
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 Hongkong, 5th April, 1901.

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 Hongkong, 25th March, 1901.

THE Steamship  
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 Captain P. T. Holmes, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 11th of April, at Noon.  
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 Hongkong, 25th March, 1901.

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 Hongkong, 4th April, 1901.

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 THE Steamship  
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 Hongkong, 8th April, 1901.

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 Hongkong, 6th April, 1901.

THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.

FOR TAKAO.  
 THE Company's Steamship  
 "TAITO MARU."  
 Captain S. Hirai, will be despatched as above on or about 15th inst.  
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 THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.  
 Hongkong, 9th April, 1901.

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FOR VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA  
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Steamer	Tons	Captain	Proposed Sailing
GLENOCLE	3,750	W. Frakes	April 11th, at Noon
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TACOMA	2,811	A. Dixon	May 17th

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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1901.

## PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
LONDON, &c.	CHUSAN	Noon, 13th April	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI	C. L. Daniel	About 13th April	Freight or Passage.
MARSEILLES AND LONDON	F. W. Vibert, R.N.R.	About 20th April	Freight only.
SHANGHAI AND JAPAN	A. W. Symes, R.N.R.	About 22nd April	Freight or Passage.
PAN	W. Hayward, R.N.R.	April	

PASSENGER SEASON, 1901.

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## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES.
BAMBERG	HAYRE & HAMBURG	On 11th inst. Freight.
ASTORIA	(London with transshipment in Hamburg)	April
	(NEW YORK)	About 4th inst. Freight.
	(via Suez Canal)	May

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 CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.  
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Hongkong, 5th April, 1901.

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 "EMPEROR OF JAPAN" Comdr. E. Pybus, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 30th April, 1901.  
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Hongkong, 4th April, 1901.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES
KONIG ALBERT	WEDNESDAY	17th April
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY	15th May
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY	22nd May
HAMBURG (Hamburg-Amerika Linie)	THURSDAY	27th June
SACHSEN	THURSDAY	11th July
KIAUTSCHOU (Hamburg-Amerika Linie)	THURSDAY	26th July
BAYERN	THURSDAY	2nd August
STUTTGART	THURSDAY	22nd August
KONIG ALBERT	THURSDAY	19th September
PREUSSEN	THURSDAY	16th October
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY	23rd October
HAMBURG (Hamburg-Amerika Linie)	WEDNESDAY	30th October
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY	6th November
KIAUTSCHOU (Hamburg-Amerika Linie)	WEDNESDAY	13th November
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY	20th November

\* Calling at Amsterdam.  
 On WEDNESDAY, the 17th day of April, 1901, at Noon, the Steamship "KONIG ALBERT" of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain O. Coppers, will leave HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAGASAKI and GENOA.

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 Hongkong, 4th April, 1901.

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PROTECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES
INABA MARU	KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 12th April at Daylight
W. Bainbridge	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID	FRIDAY, 19th April at Daylight
SANUKI MARU	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 19th April at Noon
W. Townsend	VICTORIA, B.C. AND SEATTLE, U.S.A. VIA SHANGHAI, KOBE, MOJI and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 19th April at 4 P.M.
KASUGA MARU	MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 23rd April at Noon
E. W. Haswell	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 26th April at Daylight
INDUMI MARU	(SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE)	FRIDAY, 26th April at 4 P.M.
M. J. Currow		
HIROSHIMA MARU		
S. Yoshizawa		
SHINATO MARU		
G. E. P. Cook		
YAWATA MARU		
A. E. Moses		

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A. S. MIHARA, Manager.  
 Hongkong, 1st April, 1901.

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Hongkong, 5th April, 1901.

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